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Price List, Specialties, Testimonials.

| Varieties | Each | 10 | 25 | 50 | 100 | 250 | 500 | 1,000 |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Catawba 2-years (XX) | .40 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 9.00 | 17.00 | | | |
| Catawba 1-year, light | | | | | | | | |
| but good | .20 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 | 16.00 | 30.00 | 55.00 |
| Agawam 2-years (XX) | .40 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 9.00 | 17.00 | | | |
| Agawam light, 1-year | | | | | | | | |
| but good | .20 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 | 16.00 | 30.00 | 55.00 |
| Pocklington light, one- | | | | | | | | |
| year, but good | .20 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 | 16.00 | 30.00 | 55.00 |
| Salem light, 1-year, but | | | | | | | | |
| good | .20 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 | | | |
| Eaton light 1-year, but | | | | | | | | |
| Eaton light 1-year, but | .20 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 | | | |
| good | | | | | | | | |
| Lindley light, 1-year, | | | | | | | | |
| but good | .20 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 | | | |
| Ives light, 1-year, but | | | | | | | | |
| good | .20 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 | | | |

CURRENTS

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|-----------------------|-----|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| London Market 2-years | .20 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 10.00 | 20.00 | 40.00 |
| London Market 1-year | .15 | .75 | 1.25 | 2.25 | 3.50 | 7.00 | 13.00 | 25.00 |
| Perfection 2-years | .25 | 1.75 | 2.50 | 5.00 | 10.00 | 25.00 | | |
| Black Naples 1-year | .15 | .75 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 7.00 | 13.00 | |
| Wildor 2-year | .20 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 10.00 | 20.00 | 40.00 |
| Wildor 1-year | .15 | .75 | 1.25 | 2.25 | 3.50 | 7.00 | 13.00 | 25.00 |
| Fay's Prolific 1-year | .15 | .75 | 1.25 | 2.25 | 3.50 | 7.00 | 13.00 | 25.00 |
| White Grape 2-year | .25 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 10.00 | | | |
| White Grape 2-years | .20 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 8.00 | | | |

GOOSEBERRIES

| | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-----|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Boughton 2-years | .20 | 1.75 | 3.50 | 6.00 | 10.00 | 24.00 | 45.00 | 90.00 |
| Downing 2-years | .25 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 7.00 | 12.00 | 25.00 | 50.00 | 100.00 |

Can not ship currants, gooseberries or white pines west of Kansas City and a line running north or south.

BLACK RASPBERRIES

| | | | | | | | | |
|------------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|-------|--|
| Cumberland | .50 | .75 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.50 | 6.50 | 12.00 | |
| Elm Farmer | .50 | .75 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 4.00 | 7.00 | 13.00 | |
| Gregg | .50 | .75 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 4.00 | 7.00 | 13.00 | |

PURPLE RASPBERRIES

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|-----------|-----|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|--|
| Columbian | .75 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 7.00 | 13.00 | 25.00 | |
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RED RASPBERRIES

(You should try these first two—Standard, Spring, and fall)

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|--------------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| Victory | .75 | 1.50 | 2.75 | 4.00 | 8.00 | 15.00 | 30.00 | |
| Latham | 1.00 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 7.00 | 15.00 | 25.00 | 40.00 | |
| Cuthbert (the old stand- | | | | | | | | |
| by) | .50 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 5.00 | 9.00 | 17.00 | |
| King (more of these | | | | | | | | |
| raised than any other | .50 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 3.25 | 6.50 | 13.00 | | |
| St. Regis (Erskine Park | | | | | | | | |
| or Ranaire) everbear- | .75 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 8.00 | 16.00 | | |
| ing | | | | | | | | |

YELLOW RASPBERRIES

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|-----------------------|-----|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|--|
| Golden Queen (we like | .75 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 6.00 | 10.00 | 17.00 | |
| it—you will) | | | | | | | | |

DEWBERRIES

| | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|--|
| Lucretia (the only good | .50 | .75 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 5.00 | 8.00 | 15.00 | |
| ones) (tips) | .75 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 7.00 | 13.00 | 25.00 | |
| Lucretia 2-years, rooted | | | | | | | | |

BLACKBERRIES

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|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|--|
| Eldorado | .75 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.00 | 7.00 | 13.00 | 25.00 | |
| Mercereau | .50 | .75 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 6.00 | 12.00 | 22.00 | |
| Early Harvest | .75 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.00 | 7.00 | 13.00 | 25.00 | |
| Wilson | .50 | .75 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 4.50 | 8.00 | 15.00 | |
| Snyder | .50 | .75 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 6.00 | 12.00 | 22.00 | |
| Blowers | 1.00 | 1.50 | 2.75 | 5.00 | 8.00 | 15.00 | 30.00 | |

ASPARAGUS

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|-------------------------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|-------|--|
| Palmetto 2-years | .50 | .75 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 10.00 | |
| Argentail 2-years | .50 | .75 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 10.00 | |
| Washington (rust proof) | | | | | | | | |
| 2-years | .75 | 1.00 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 7.00 | 14.00 | |
| Washington A 1-year | .50 | .75 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 8.00 | |
| The other two kinds, | | | | | | | | |
| 1-year | .25 | .50 | .75 | 1.50 | 3.00 | 6.00 | | |

MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES

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|------------------------|-----|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Sage, Holt's Mammoth | .20 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 7.00 | 13.00 | 25.00 |
| Horse radish, Improved | .20 | .50 | .75 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 10.00 |
| Rhubarb (or Pieplant) | .15 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 3.50 | 6.00 | 12.00 | 20.00 | 40.00 |
| Elderberry, Adam's Im- | | | | | | | | |
| proved | .40 | 2.50 | 5.00 | 7.00 | 10.00 | 20.00 | 35.00 | 70.00 |

WE GROW THE BEST STRAWBERRY PLANTS IN MICHIGAN

| Varieties | 25 | 50 | 100 | 250 | 500 | 1,000 |
|---|-----|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Superb, Ever bearing | .50 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.50 | 7.00 | 12.00 |
| Champion, Everbearing | .50 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 3.25 | 6.00 | 10.00 |
| Progressive, Everbearing | .50 | .75 | 1.00 | 2.50 | 5.00 | 9.00 |
| Early Varieties | | | | | | |
| Premier (S) (The best) | .50 | .75 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 2.75 | 5.00 |
| Medium Early | | | | | | |
| Eaton (S) | .25 | .50 | .75 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 4.00 |
| Senator Dunlap (S) | .25 | .50 | .75 | 1.25 | 1.75 | 3.00 |
| Warfield (P) | .25 | .50 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 4.00 |
| Bubach (P) | .50 | .75 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 6.00 |
| Buster (P) (a money maker) | .50 | .75 | 1.00 | 1.25 | 2.75 | 5.00 |
| Gibson (S) (to medium late) | .25 | .50 | .75 | 1.50 | 1.75 | 3.50 |
| Dr. Burrill (S) | .25 | .50 | .75 | 1.50 | 1.75 | 3.50 |
| Medium Late | | | | | | |
| Collins (S) | .25 | .50 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 2.50 | 4.00 |
| Brandywine (S) | .25 | .50 | .75 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 4.00 |
| Black Beauty (S) | .25 | .50 | .75 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 4.00 |
| Ridgeway (S) (one of the best) | .25 | .50 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 2.75 | 5.00 |
| Wm. Belt (S) | .25 | .50 | 1.00 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 4.00 |
| Big Late (S) (or Joe Johnson also late to | | | | | | |
| very late | .50 | .75 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 6.00 |
| Glen Mary (S and P) | .25 | .50 | 1.00 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 4.00 |
| Uncle Jim (S) | .50 | .75 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 2.75 | 5.00 |
| Late to very late | | | | | | |

PLEASE VISIT OUR NURSERY

"The latching string hangs out" to the public and we cordially invite you to call at our nursery, interview the proprietor, and see for yourself our plants and orchards—and know just what kind of people we are that have asked you to entrust us with your money and your future income, and perhaps happiness; for it is our aim that Victory Plants serve you well. In the past, visitors and customers have come from Cleveland, Toledo, Detroit, Flint, Alpena, Grand Rapids, Fort Wayne, South Bend, Chicago, and hundreds of smaller towns and intermediate points, as well as fruitgrowing and gardening districts and farming communities. Come any time—always some one at home—but Mr. Prestage would be glad to make a date with you if convenient to let him know when to expect you. We are always at your service. If we can do anything for you, just tell us.

Very truly yours
J. G. PRESTAGE, Prop'r

1925 (ONLY) BARGAINS

These offers are good until June 1, 1925, unless we sell out. New, scarce, and rare varieties of course, can not be included, unless the proprietor personally wishes to do so, at his discretion. Bargains are good only for amounts of stock and varieties specified. Anyone wishing to take advantage of these offers, 12 months or 6 months in advance, can do so by a cash deposit of one fourth of value. We ship stock in both fall and spring.

100 cherry trees good Early Richmond or. Mentmorency for \$45; also 100 larger for \$55.

100 Peach trees, good, for \$20.

100 Arbor Vitae for \$10

100 one-year apples for \$20. Can be of ten of a kind.

100 good fine, 2-year apple for \$40.

1,000 Red Raspberry plants for \$10

1,000 Warfield and 1,000 Dunlap Strawberry plants and 100 Progressive for \$5.

1,000 of either Dunlap or Warfield for \$2.50

50 gladiolus corms, postpaid, for \$1.

1,000 select mixed gladiolus corms for \$18

100 Norway Spruce for \$10

1,000 Concord grapevines for \$15.

1,000 Niagara grapevines for \$25.

100 Currant bushes for \$5

1,000 Currant bushes for \$35.

100 Spirea Van Houttei for \$20.

100 Walnut trees for \$10.

100 fine, hardy everblooming rose bushes for \$45. Usually sell for 2 or 3 times as much.

1,000 everbearing strawberry plants for \$7

Hundreds of other bargains catalogued

January, 1925.

Orders must be for varieties and amounts specified.

No insignificant stock used.

"Victory Plants" Must Please

Our large acreage of growing stock, growers' contracts, and our extensive connections make possible these price reduced offers for 1925 only.

THESE OFFERS FOR 1924

Sunshine Collection of gladioli—35 large corms, mixed, of many varieties, postpaid for \$1.

Our Rainbow collection of Iris—mixed—American, German, and Japanese Iris, a collection of rare and delicate flowers that are being more generally planted and loved. Many colors, shades and tints make it a real rainbow collection offering at the special low price of 20 for \$1.

FOREST TREE SEEDLINGS

The great drain upon our forests is rapidly devastating the country of forest and timber supplies. The government will soon make it compulsory that every swamp, sand-hill, side-hill, wash, or waste land be reforested. To do this will require millions of seedling forest trees. Pines, spruce, beech, hemlock, elm, maple, sycamore fir, and other varieties are even now in demand. Especially are walnut, black cherry, and ash. If you have such land, take time and conditions by the forelock and order our seedlings for reforestation. Write us for prices on what you need.

NUTS

Anyone wanting walnuts, butternuts, hickory nuts, chestnuts, etc., write us for prices. We can supply all of these at proper season of the year.

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| Aroma (S) | 50 | .75 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 2.75 | 5.00 |
| Cooper (S) | .75 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.50 | 6.00 | 10.00 |
| Gandy (S) | .50 | .75 | 1.50 | 2.25 | 3.25 | 6.00 |
| Sample (P) | .50 | .75 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 2.75 | 5.00 |
| Mixed Varieties (S and P) | | | | 1.00 | 1.50 | 2.75 |

PRICES OF BUSH FRUIT—GRAPES, ASPARAGUS, ETC.

| Varieties | Each | 10 | 25 | 50 | 100 | 250 | 500 | 1,000 |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Concord 3-years | \$.50 | \$2.50 | \$4.00 | \$7.00 | \$12.00 | \$20.00 | \$40.00 | \$75.00 |
| Concord 2-years | .20 | 1.75 | 3.25 | 5.00 | 9.00 | 15.00 | 27.00 | 50.00 |
| Concord 1-year—heavy or (XX) | .15 | 1.25 | 1.75 | 2.75 | 5.00 | 11.00 | 20.00 | 40.00 |
| Concord, medium grade | | | 1.50 | 2.00 | 3.50 | 8.00 | 15.00 | 30.00 |
| Concord, light but good grade | | | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.00 | 6.00 | 10.00 | 20.00 |
| Niagara 2-years | .30 | 2.50 | 3.50 | 5.50 | 10.00 | 22.00 | 42.00 | 80.00 |
| Niagara 1-year heavy or (XX) | .25 | 1.75 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 | 16.00 | 30.00 | 60.00 |
| Niagara 1-year, medium | .20 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 3.25 | 6.00 | 10.00 | 18.00 | 35.00 |
| Delaware 2-year | .50 | 3.50 | 6.75 | 12.00 | 20.00 | | | |
| Delaware 1-year | .30 | 2.50 | 4.50 | 9.00 | 16.00 | | | |
| Wyoming Red | .40 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 8.00 | 14.00 | | | |
| Worden 2-years | .25 | 2.00 | 3.50 | 5.50 | 10.00 | 18.00 | 35.00 | 60.00 |
| Worden 1-year (XX) | .20 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 | 16.00 | 30.00 | 60.00 |
| Moore's Early 2-years | .25 | 2.00 | 3.50 | 5.50 | 10.00 | 18.00 | 35.00 | 65.00 |
| Moore's Early 1-year (XX) | .20 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 | 16.00 | 30.00 | |
| Campbell's Early 2-year (XX) | .50 | 3.50 | 6.00 | 10.00 | 18.00 | 35.00 | | |
| Campbell's Early 2-yrs. (X) | .30 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 | 15.00 | | | |
| Brighton 2-year (XX) | .40 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 9.00 | 17.00 | | | |
| Bright (light, 1-year, but good) | .20 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 | 16.00 | 30.00 | 55.00 |

MISTAKES AND OVERSIGHTS

In conducting a large business like ours it has proved to be a very difficult task to keep everyone satisfied in some particular. The business requires a great deal of help, and to put on so much help we just get them broken in efficiently when the shipping season is over. Because of this seasonal nature of the business help can not be handled differently. So some mistakes occur—occasionally an order is lost. But yearly we go over these mistakes and make corrections and adjustments to satisfy our customers. If for any reason we overlook you in this respect, write us. We are not infallible, but we aim to be fair and square with business associates.

LATE ORDERS

When orders come late in the season it often happens that, because of hot, dry weather or growth of stock, it is not best to risk shipment. If purchaser wishes to assume all risk, we ship. But it is generally best to hold over order until season is favorable or stock is in better condition or their arrangements can be made.

YOUR LETTERS TO US

We receive great piles of mail daily. It is a pleasure to receive so many letters, specially those from old customers who have become our friends. Usually we are prompt with our mail. However, when the busy season comes on, it sometimes requires a score of clerks and stenographers, and even at that we many times get behind. When we get behind it easily gets worse. When a letter is not answered, people write again. So with our overwork and long hours, correspondence sometimes is a burden. If your reply is slightly delayed in reaching you, rest assured we are doing our best under difficulties. Many times, after the packing season is over, we are obliged to work late and long in the fields in order to plant and raise stock for the coming season, and we ask your co-operation and patience if we should be a little delayed at times.

Resort—FARM FOR SALE—Fishing

An Ideal Permanent Home.

A neighbor who is seventy-five years old has a fine farm of 208 acres which must be sold at once. Fine residence, tenant-house, two orchards, situated on the bank of a popular resort and fishing lake; excellent soil for fruit, berries, hay, grain, and dairying. Will be sold for one half its value. This well-balanced finely located farm is in a prosperous community with good roads in every direction. If you are interested, ask the price and accommodating terms. Write J. G. Prestage, Allegan, Mich.

FALL AND WINTER SHIPMENTS

Our September, October, November, and December shipments of plants are increasing every year, specially our shipments of strawberry plants to Florida, Alabama, Texas, and California.

FRUIT FOR SALE

Those customers who are wishing apples for winter use will do well to write us in September, October or November. Can supply Delicious, Baldwins, Spy, King, Jonathan, Greening, Grimes Golden, etc., by parcel post, express, or freight, in peck, half-bushel, or bushel cartons or barrels.

Spaghnum Moss for sale by bale or cartload. Small quantities by express, 80c per bale.

WONDER RED RASPBERRY

Latham or Minnesota No. 4—This wonderful new raspberry originated at the Minnesota Breeding Farm and is the best of all the red raspberries. Latham does well on almost any soil, is perfectly hardy, a rank grower of strong robust canes with heavy, velvety foliage. Latham is a wonderful producer, and of that decided raspberry flavor. Latham is the best for the home garden. Season for production about the same as St. Regis, but Latham is a heavier producer of larger berries that will carry well; out-yields Cuthbert in July and out-yields by more than double any fall bearer we have tried in September and October. The Latham raspberry is of the so-called everbearing type and will produce fruit the same season set out and continue to bear until late in the fall. In 1923 we picked \$100 worth of berries for market from 2,000 new canes planted in April. The berries are produced in great numbers, in clusters on strong canes, and it is a wonderful sight to see the fields of these remarkable raspberries during fruiting season.

Price—10, \$1; 25, \$2; 50, \$4; 100 \$7; 250, \$15; 500, \$25; 1,000, \$40.

CABBAGE PLANTS

Don't overlook our Late Cabbage plants. There is always good money in late cabbages. Plants are grown out of doors and are thrifty and hardy. Late Cabbage Plants for May, June, and July. Sent anywhere by mail or express parcel post preferred. Price \$2.50 per 1,000, \$1.50 for 500, 250 for \$1.25, 100 for 50c. Varieties—Holland or Drumhead, Flat Dutch, Winningstadt, Jersey Wakefield, Succession, Surehead. Take your choice.

THE VICTORY RED RASPBERRY

This new variety originated near Bridge-man Mich., some few years ago, and is claimed to be the most productive and largest raspberry in cultivation. A seedling of the Cuthbert which it resembles. Victory has produced regularly several seasons, nearly twice as much fruit as Cuthbert, bush for bush, and acre for acre, grown in the same fields, under the same soil, conditions, and care. Victory, thus you see, is not an untried variety, as the originator has fruited it several seasons and his success has attracted wide attention. Those who have tested it carefully claim it has been tested with every known good variety in every way. We have several thousands of these plants, grown by a careful grower, that we are offering you at a wonderful reduction from what other nurserymen are asking.

Price—10, 75c; 25, \$1.50; 50, \$2.75; 100, \$4; 250, \$8; 500 \$15; 1,000, \$30.

We grow the best strawberry plants grown in Michigan.

Dr. Burrell (S) is a cross between Senator Dunlap and Crescent and is often called the "million dollar berry". It resembles Senator Dunlap in many ways, is a very good plant maker, its long root system makes it a good drought resistant, and it will do well in all soils and climates. It bears a heavy crop of large, dark, glossy red, firm berries, making it a desirable variety for both home and market. Be sure to include Dr. Burrell in your order.

TESTIMONIALS

We could fill this entire circular with testimonials, letters of thanks, and appreciation, if we wished to do so. We are giving names and correct addresses. We do not care how many nurserymen send our customers catalogues. They are welcome to do so.

Greenville, Ills

Mr. J. G. Prestage,

Dear Sir: In reply to your letter in regard to those strawberry plants I got from you last spring will say they were easily the best plants I bought, and passed through the worst drought we have had for years with little loss. Your season of shipping is a little late for our setting here. We try to have our beds set by April 1. I have a nice bed set from my own plants, set four weeks before what I got from you. I will want a start of your Ernie and Dickey in the spring, so will thank you for catalogue.

Yours respectfully,

H. S. McCASLAND,

R. R. 7, Greenville, Ills.

Winthrop, Maine.

Mr. J. G. Prestage, Allegan, Mich.

Gentlemen: It is with pleasure that I am writing you today to let you know about the shipment of trees and strawberry plants that I purchased from you. When they arrived they were alive, looked fresh, and they are all alive today and doing well. I received a shipment of strawberry plants from Thrae Rivers, Mich., and when they arrived they were all dead as hay, and those were the pure-bred or the pedigree plants trimmed to death on both ends, and this is the third shipment that came from Kellogg, and they all looked the same when arrived. When I need more trees or plants I shall remember you.

Yours truly,

A. W. BLACK.

Croswell Michigan, Dec. 12, 1923.

The Allegan Nursery, Allegan, Mich.

Dear Mr. Prestage: Am writing to tell you that the fruit trees and plants you shipped to Derbyshire, Wales, England, arrived in first-class shape are growing and doing nicely.

Respectfully yours,

R. E. WILSON.

Portland, Indiana.

Mr. J. G. Prestage, Allegan, Michigan,

Dear Sir: When I wrote you the names of all the strawberry growers that I knew, and sent them to you last spring in answer to your request in which you said you would make it worth my while, I wrote some place on the letter, "I'm from Missouri". Most folk are "from Missouri" and I think that one reason for this is that so few folk come from Allegan, Michigan, as you do.

Anyway, I was very much surprised and pleased with the fine Gibson plants you sent me "to show me". Not expecting to get anything like that, I had barely enough room left in my garden for them, but I set them out and they grew, and I never forgot who sent them.

I would like to have you come and see how nicely they grew in my garden, but I expect you are too busy for this. For some time I have been producing for my pleasure and the pleasure of my friends some tinted photographs, and so, when I was talking to Santa Claus the other day he said that he would have to stop at your house anyway to tell you that H. E. Jones of Portland, Indiana, wishes you a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year, and he agreed to take you a picture I made of the Gibsons. I think that was mighty fine of him—perhaps he is from Allegan, too.

Again thanking you for your kindness, I am,

Yours respectfully,

HORACE E. JONES

Rosindale, Mass.

40 Jewett-st.

Mr. J. G. Prestage,

Dear Sir: I want you to know that the strawberry plants you sent me last year were all healthy. They have given me a pleasant surprise by bearing so often and plentifully. We are still getting the most delicious berries. It is the first time I have ever had strawberries growing so I am more than pleased with the result. If you sell a book that tells how to care for the plants during the winter I shall be glad to buy it. Thanking you for the healthy plants you sold me, I am

Gratefully yours,

JOHN BURNS.